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Sierra Leone Now Free Nation

Lumumba Shown On Commemorative From Egypt

Egypt issued a 10 mills black commemorative March 30 in tribute to the third All-African Peoples' Conference held in Cairo March 25-31. The stamp concerned was originally scheduled for April 15 to note Africa Day, but its appearance was advanced to mark the conference.



The design in upright format features a portrait of the late Patrice Lumumba, communist-leaning premier of the Congo who was killed recently while allegedly trying to escape from political opponent captors.

Lumumba's likeness is shown on a map of Africa with a broken chain beneath to represent the break in the long-existing colonial status of the Congo.

Two million copies were photographed by the Survey of Egypt on the usual Multiple UAR watermarked paper, after a design by Abbas El Sheikh.

Ray Hill's "Early Swiss" At Webster Groves Club

The next meeting of the Webster Groves Stamp Club will be held April 21 at the Reliable Life Insurance Bldg., 231 W. Lockwood, Webster Groves, Mo.

The program will feature a showing and discussion of his "Early Swiss Issues" by Ray Hill. Area and touring collectors will be welcome as usual at the club's first-and-third-Friday meetings.

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NO MAIL HANDLERS LIKE THIS were around to help with the September 23, 1911 cards and letters which were carried by Earle L. Ovington when he flew the Western Hemisphere's first official airmail at Garden City, Long Island. Denise Darcel, visiting French movie star, aids Herbert Rosen (left) hand over the first bag of INTERPEX covers to New York's Postmaster Robert K. Christenberry at the big philatelic exhibition March 17-19 in New York City. In the background is a 1910 model French Bleriot monoplane, immediate ancestor of the craft Ovington used on his 1911 hop.

Earliest Ecuadorean Aviation Cards Were Flown But Had No Franking; Were Not "Airmail"

Dr. Roberto Levi-Castillo

In 1913 aviation was in its infancy. It was real feat to fly an airplane because the "flying crates" of that vintage were small contraptions of silk and wood, with 50 H.P. engines, that worked very badly. Often they gave a bad time to the flyer, stopping in mid-air. The plane would come down and crack up after stalling to the ground, leaving a big splashy mess of rods, pieces of broken fabrics and cracked wooden pieces. The adventure usually ended for the airman with a trip to the hospital or morgue.

Among the pioneer airmen of the Americas Ecuador well remembers a brave flyer of Italian ancestry whose name was Cosme Renella. Capt. Cosme Renella flew the mails at one time and many years ago folded up and died quietly in his bed!

The first flight was sponsored by the "Guayas Club of Sharpshooting and Aviation", founded in Guayaquil in 1910, by young men who

were interested in target practice and aviation. It is still the oldest club of its kind in Ecuador and one of the oldest on record for promoting aviation. It also did the job of transporting by plane post cards that were actually flown over Guayaquil and taken across the river. The feat nearly cost Renella his life in a round trip back to the starting point in the Jockey Club race track!

This historical flight has gone into oblivion and been forgotten because it was just a local one. Also because it did not carry any special (Continued on page 19)

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Seven-Design Set Of April 27 Proclaims Independent Status Of Long-Time British Colony

A set of 13 stamps in a total of seven designs has been announced for April 27 release by the former British colony of Sierra Leone to mark its rise to the status of an independent nation.

Six designs will be employed on two values each, with the seventh appearing on only one stamp, the one Pound denomination. Each design will bear the legend "Independence 1961" at the top, and contain an inset medallion of the badge of the nation.

Values and designs are listed as 1/2d and 1/-, palm fruit gathering; 1d and 2/6, licensed diamond miner; 1 1/2d and 5/-, Bundu Mask; and 2d and 10/-, Bishop Crowther and Old Fourash Bay College.

Also, 3d and 6d, Sir Milton Margai; 4d and 1/3, Lumley Beach; and the one Pound top value, a bugler of the Royal Sierra Leone Military Forces. Colors of the various adhesives have not been announced.

The new issue calls world attention to an area which has been known to history for almost exactly 500 years, according to a resume supplied by the Crown Agents Representative, Washington, D.C. as follows:

The first written records of Sierra Leone are those of the Portuguese voyagers of discovery in the 15th century. First named by Pedro da Cintra about the year 1460, the Portuguese later built, but after a few years abandoned, a fortress on the shore of the Sierra Leone River.

Adventurers from other countries soon followed, not as colonizers but as pirates and slave-traders. Sir John Hawkins, who came on a slave-raiding expedition in 1562, was probably the first Englishman to land. Drake called in during his voyage round the world.

A few relics of these early voyages still survive—the name "Pirates' Bay", the stone buried in Freetown bearing the names of the Dutch Admirals De Ruyter and Van Meppel who took in water at the stream there in 1664, and the ruins of the fort on Bunce Island with its slave-barracoons and churchyard.

There were also barracoons on the neighboring Tasso and Gambia Island, and indeed all along the coast from the Rio Pongas down to the Sherbro and to Sulima.

The colony of Sierra Leone originated in the sale and cession of a portion of land in 1788 by the Temne King Naimbana and his subordinate chiefs to Captain John Taylor of His Britannic Majesty's brig "Miro" on behalf of "the free community of settlers, their heirs and successors, lately arrived from England, and under the protection of

the British Government".

The new community was the inspiration of Granville Sharp, a friend of Wilberforce, and a leader in the movement to abolish slavery.

Sharp was instrumental in sending out the first settlers, consisting in the main of slaves freed and destitute in England, to what he called "The Province of Freedom".

Despite early vicissitudes, the settlement gradually prospered and in the 1790's more settlers, freed after the American War of Independence, joined the new community.

In 1808 the territory was made a Crown Colony, but an event of perhaps wider significance had occurred the previous year when the British Parliament passed an act making the slave trade illegal.

The new colony, was to be the base from which the act could be enforced. A naval squadron was stationed on the coast to intercept slave ships and a Court of Vice-Admiralty was set up in Freetown to try slave traders.

When other nations agreed to prohibit slaving, it was supplemented in 1819 by a Court of Mixed Commission, where British and foreign judges heard slave cases jointly.

The first slave ship was condemned, and its cargo freed, in 1806. From then on hundreds, and in some years thousands, of slaves were freed each year, most of them remaining in Sierra Leone. The whole of the peninsula was ceded by the Temne chiefs and most of the liberated were settled in villages round it.

The population increased steadily with every vessel captured, and by the middle of the 19th century exceeded 40,000. Legitimate trade with the interior gradually expanded, and after 1840 groundnuts, and later palm oil and kernels were exported.

With the increase in trade, the colony's interest began to extend beyond the peninsula, and additional lands to the north and east were leased or ceded by various treaties with the local chiefs.

A protectorate was subsequently declared over these additional lands (Continued on page 18)

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A single stamp for 15 years of socialism in Germany, a stamp-and-tab for a monument at Sachsenhausen, and a four-value set in tribute to the nation's deep-sea fishing industry have been announced by East Germany.



April 10 was day of issue for the fisheries set. Included are a 10 pfennig green depicting a trawler; 20pf. brown red, fishermen hauling in a net; 25pf. blue, the ship "Robert Koch"; and 40pf. violet (limited issue), worker starting fish through a processing machine.



The two singles are due April 20. The "15 Years Socialism" is in large horizontal format depicting two groups of demonstrators meeting under portraits of Marx, Engels and Lenin. The value is 20pf., color red.

The final item is a 20pf. plus 10pf. red semipostal showing the National Warning and Commemorative Monument in Sachsenhausen. An accompanying tab with each stamp carries a red-on-gray description of the background of the monument.

All six adhesives were printed by the VEB Deutsche Wertpapier-druckerei, Leipzig; the set by recess printing, the two singles by offset. Official first day covers were prepared only for the set.

First Day Cover For Moorhead Post Office

The Fargo-Moorhead Philatelic Society has a limited supply of first cancellation covers for the opening of the new post office building in Moorhead, Minn. recently.

They are franked with the Automated PO commemorative, and were personally canceled by Postmaster James Ruddy as the first lot through the canceling machine on opening day.

The cachet is printed, priced at 10c per cover plus a large stamped addressed envelope with each order, from K. Martin Carlson, 1028 Third Ave., S., Moorhead, Minn.

San Francisco Society Invites All Stampers

At a recent meeting of the San Francisco-Pacific Philatelic Society the following officers were elected: president, Martin Pleskow; vice president, H. Winslow Wheeler; secretary, Louise Palmer, 340 Bush St., San Francisco 4, Calif.; and treasurer, Earl Hamilton.

Meetings are held the third Monday of each month at 8 p.m. in the library of the World Trade Center, Ferry Bldg., foot of Market St., San Francisco, Calif. Visitors are always welcome. Full details are available from Mr. Palmer on request.

APRIL'S ISSUES

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4/8	Togo Birds in Flight	(3)	.33
4/15	Ethiopia "Africa Day"	(1)	.40
	Ghana "Freedom Day"	(3)	.48
	Malta George Cross Comm.	(3)	.25
	Tristan Da Cunha Decimals	(13)	3.50
	Tunisia "Africa Day"	(4)	1.20
4/17	Malaya-Negri Installation	(1)	.65
	United Nations Monetary	(2)	.15
4/18	Israel 13th Ind. Flowers	(3)	.35
	Israel "Hapoel" Sports	(1)	.18
4/19	Canada Meighen	(1)	.07
4/22	W. Germany Scouts	(1)	.04
4/27	Sierra Leone Independ.	(13)	6.75
	Same short set to 1/100	(8)	.45
4/29	Ghana new 1 Pound Def.	(1)	3.15
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Stamp For Yang Of Negri Sembilan

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The design includes two medallions, one containing a portrait of His Highness, and the other a reproduction of the State Crest of Negri Sembilan. The medallions are in full color against a blue background.

Printed in four-color photogravure on unwatermarked paper by Joh Enschede en Zonen of Holland, the adhesive is 36 x 25mm, horizontal format, in sheets of 100 subjects. It will remain on sale for three months, or until stocks are exhausted, whichever is the earlier.

The state of Negri Sembilan is the only one in the Federation of Malaya whose Ruler has the title Yang di-Pertuan Besar. The rulers of other states are called "Sultans" with the other exception of Perlis whose ruler has the title of Raja.

The term Yang di-Pertuan Besar must be distinguished from the Yang di-Pertuan Agong who is the Supreme Head of State of the Federation of Malaya. The Yang di-Pertuan Besar of Negri Sembilan is elected by the Undangs (Ruling Chiefs) of Sungei Ujong, Jelebu, Johol and Rambau.

His Highness is the ninth in direct line of descent from Raja Melewar, a prince from the Menangkabau territory of Sumatra, who founded the present dynasty of Negri Sembilan in 1773.

Raja Melewar was invited by the chiefs of the confederacy of small states which came to be known as Negri Sembilan to be their overlord with the title of Yang di-Pertuan Besar of Negri Sembilan.

The new ruler was proclaimed as the Yang di-Pertuan Besar of Negri Sembilan April 5, 1960, on the demise of his father, Tuanku Abdul Rahman ibni Almarhum Tuanku Muhammad.

Wabash Valley Show At Terre Haute May 27-28

The Wabash Valley Stamp Club, Terre Haute, Ind., will hold its annual exhibition in the Terre Haute House, 700 Wabash Ave., May 27-28. Hours on Saturday will be from 10 a.m. to 9 p.m.; on Sunday, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Although exhibitors must be members in good standing of the Wabash Valley Stamp Club, visitors are cordially invited. A cacheted cover will be available at the exhibit for 15c each, two for 25c. Further details from E. J. Laskowski, 205 Bluebird Dr., Terre Haute, Ind. Provision has been made for seven bourse tables.

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The find is an imperforate between vertically pair of the 5 naya paise service stamp of the Ashok Pillar series printed on the new Ashoka Capital watermarked paper. In used condition, the cancellation is unfortunately so light that it cannot be identified.

When first reported in January, Mr. Mehta explained, the item was described as of one anna denomination, while a March report gave further details including the value of "15np.". The photograph clearly establishes the denomination as 5np., he pointed out.

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One Of Many Such Letters

I receive many letters from collectors who seem to think that gum on stamps is such a very important thing. They apparently go to any lengths to preserve it or to acquire it but I am often of the opinion that many of them perhaps do not know what they are doing.

The following letter from a 14 year old youth is very well written and is typical of many others that have been received. I usually answer such letters with a bit of advice and wind up by saying that I stick all my stamps in my album with stamp hinges. Here is the letter....

"Gastonia, N.C.
"March 17, 1961

"Dear Mr. Linn,
"I note with interest that the battle of the gummed mint stamps is still raging. Every time that I see or hear anyone complain about this problem, I wonder why they don't do what I do.

"My solution is to wrap the stamps in a household product called SARAN WRAP made by the Dow Chemical Company. All of my mint stamps are wrapped in this. All that is needed is one layer across the front and folded over the back side enough so that it will entirely cover the back side. I have found this to be very inexpensive and believe me, that is a basic requirement for me. I am a young collector (14 yrs. old) and I must find inexpensive products. "I learned this trick from the same friend who introduced me to Linn's Weekly Stamp News.

"Yours truly,
"Peter Tallman"

You wonder why others do not do as you do. Are you certain that you are doing the right thing? Does your friend know that he is doing the right thing? In the first place do you know what Original Gum is, or does the mere fact that you see gum on the back of a stamp make you believe that it is original gum? It is most likely that such stamps as you are apt to buy will have original gum as at your age and by your admission you have to buy the lower priced stamps. However, how about men who have money to spend for fine old issues? Do you know due to a demand for original gum, that in many cases the prices for old issues have gone quite high when O. G. without a hinge mark is demanded. Time was when any smart dealer always knew enough to ask a bit more for an O. G. stamp of that quality, but today, due to the foolish demand that has arisen among collectors who often do not know what they are doing, it has become the custom among smart dealers to ask from 50% to 100% more for stamps with o. g. unhinged. And brother, just to satisfy your demand if they have not a stamp you want with full o. g. some of them will quickly get it for you as gum from a small bottle costs but a few cents.

This fetish for original gum or any old kind of gum as long as it is gum has brought about the cellulose containers which have led you to the use of Saran Wrap because it is so cheap for you. I can say that the sample you sent me shows that this material is certainly thin. I do not believe I have seen any similar so thin and thus it adds very little bulk to album pages. However, does your friend or the Dow Chemical Company guarantee you that this material and the method of wrapping you use will not injure the gum on your stamps? I note you state in your letter that you fold it over the back side of the stamp so that it will fully cover it. That means there is no circulation of air between the gum and the Saran Wrap. I do not know which containers used by collectors affect the gum on stamps, but some do. I would believe it would be a type of container where the product, whatever it may be, comes in contact with the gum on the back of the stamps and also where the stamp is completely enclosed and there is thus no circulation of air between the gummed side of the stamp and the container material in which it is enclosed.

I do know however and this will be confirmed by any dealer who knows anything worth knowing about stamps, that there are some of the containers on the market which cause the gum to sort of run or fuse and become altered in appearance. In fact it looks like a clear, smooth piece of glass. This is true of our own current U.S. commemorative stamps as has been apparent to many who have noted this action. There are perhaps some stamps that will not be affected in any manner. Certainly Czechoslovak stamps and Polish stamps will show this effect. It is unlikely that British colonials will show any damage to the gum as the gum on these stamps is of a very different product and is quite thin, whereas gum on our current issues is thick and heavy. In fact so thick and heavy that it is a destructive agent for collectors of blocks, plate number blocks etc. If a plate block ever becomes bent on the perforation it is almost a lost item. The gum is heavy and glassy and when bent it breaks like a thin sheet of glass. When the gum breaks it breaks some of the fibres in the paper which is often a cheap wood pulp product.

In British colonials it is different as the paper is of high rag content and the fibre holds it together.

So Peter, you better find out from your friend and from the Dow Chemical Company just what you can expect.

Current SportStamps Relates Hapoel Story

Israel's new commemorative stamp honoring the Hapoel Seventh International Sports Festival is featured in the April issue of "Sport-StampS", the monthly publication of the Sports Unit of the American Topical Assn.

Written by Mrs. R. Gotlib of Tel Aviv, Israel, this informative article gives details on the Hapoel Games which will be held in Israel from April 30 to May 6, in which

that nation will play host to hundreds of sportsmen and sports-women from Europe, America, Asia, and Africa.

A comprehensive article on naval jousting, as depicted on France's 1958 sports series (Scott No. 884, Minkus No. 1363) is also featured, under the authorship of Dr. Jean Carle, Secretary General of the French Olympic Committee.

This issue of SportStampS will be available to non-members until April 25 from Edward J. Flath, 214 Julian St., Waukegan, Ill. at 25c each for mailing and reproduction.

SMILEATELICS . . . Bob Rieker



"The subway was crowded with people jostling and pushing, but I managed to keep my packet of stamps from being crushed."

Butler, Pa. Show On Book For May 20-21

The Butler County Philatelic Society will hold its 15th annual stamp exhibition and open house May 20-21 in the Agriculture Hall, on the Butler Farm Show Grounds, four miles west of Butler, Pa. on Rt. 68.

The exhibition will consist of approximately 75 frames of stamps, covers, precancels and postal stationery, all owned by Society members. It and the bourse will be free and open to the interested public from 10 a.m. until 10 p.m. on Saturday, 10 a.m. until 6 p.m. Sunday.

As usual, a very important feature of the 1961 show will be Butler's seventh annual Spring Round-Up for Precancel fans. A cordial invitation is extended to all members of the Western Pennsylvania Precancel Society, the Central Ohio Precancel Club, the Precancel Stamp Society, and all other precancel collectors anywhere, to meet in Butler.

Special tables and plenty of room will be set aside for them. There will also be a dinner for all members and guests at 6:15 p.m. Saturday. Persons desiring information, dinner or motel reservations may contact J. Garland Marks, 455 W. Pearl St., Butler, Pa.

1961 STAMP PROGRAM

May 10 — Kansas Statehood Centennial, Council Grove, Kans. (Horizontal, 50 per pane, 100,000-000).

— (Indefinitely postponed) — International Conference 10c airmail, Washington 13, D. C. (Horizontal, 50 per pane).

ALREADY ISSUED
1144 — Patrick Henry "Credo" 4c, Richmond, Va., January 11.
C62 — Regular airmail 15c, revised design, Buffalo, N. Y., January 13.

1174-75 — Mahatma Gandhi Champion of Liberty 4c and 8c, Washington 13, D. C. January 26.
1176 — Range Conservation 4c, Salt Lake City 1, Utah; February 2.

1177 — Horace Greeley Famous American 4c, Chappaqua, N. Y. February 3.

— Ft. Sumter 4c, Charleston, S. C., April 12.

UNITED NATIONS
April 17 — International Monetary Fund 4c and 7c.
June — Regular issue 30c.
Sept. — Economic Commission for Latin America.
Oct. — Economic Commission for Africa.
Dec. — Children's Fund, UNICEF.

CANADA
Apr. 19 — Arthur Melghen 5c.
June 28 — Colombo Plan 10th Anniversary 5c.

Details as to denomination, color and printings will be announced when available.

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Philatelists are invited to submit material for exhibition. A prospectus may be obtained from the show's general chairman, Dr. Felix Rosenwachs, 13133 Victoria, Huntington Woods, Mich. There will be senior and junior classifications. Anyone 16 or under may enter the junior competition.

A suitable cachet will honor Israel's 13th year of independence. Covers are 10c each from Stan Baar, 21971 Church St., Oak Park 37, Mich.

The Dr. Edward A. Stein Memorial Award will be given the best in show in each classification plus first, second and third place certificates. Also, a certificate provided by the American Topical Assn. will be given the best topical exhibit.

Austria Schedules 18 Stamps For Year

Austria will issue 18 special postage stamps this year, Dr. Schaginger, Austrian Postmaster General, announced recently in Vienna. The new adhesives will honor the Congress of the World Bank to be held in Vienna in September of this year; the 150th birthday of Franz Liszt; the 40th anniversary of Burgenland Province, a former part of Hungary; and the 200th anniversary of the founding of the Court of Accounts.

Furthermore, a special issue will again come out commemorating the Day of the Postage Stamp.

Dr. Schaginger disclosed further that subscription orders received so far total more than 1,200,000 stamps as compared to only 60,000 in 1958. Two-thirds of all orders come from abroad, he added.

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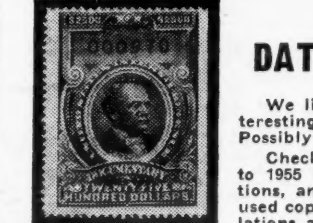
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R556	50	7.00	5.75	3.85	R688	'55 30	10.85		
R557	60	28.75	5.35		R689	50	13.75		
R558	100	18.75	4.75	2.70	R691	100	16.75		
R559	500	69.75	24.50		R692	500	52.75		
R560	1000	43.75	23.75		R693	1000	39.85		
R580	'51 30	8.35			R694	2500	79.50		
R581	50	9.50	4.35		R698	'56 50	13.85		
R582	60	24.85			R700	100	9.75		
R583	100	12.85	4.85	2.95	R702	1000	39.50		
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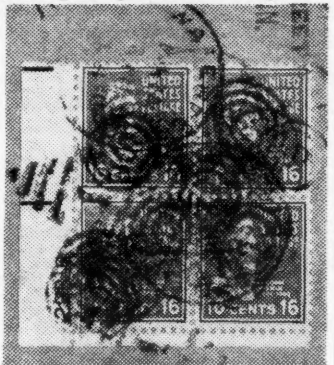
The World Refugee Year commemorative of 1960 seems to have a few champions which regard it as the "best" design of last year's crop. It was rated as the "worst" of the artwork in the 13th Annual Design Derby. Why, ask the WRY stamp admirers, would so many people consider it as the poorest—it has great and meaningful symbolism which tells its story clearly.

I don't know why others turned thumbs down on it, but generally their reasons are probably like mine. I felt that the horrible gray color wasn't anything to bring cheer and the promise of a better future to these people who have suffered from innumerable dark and dreary days already. The WRY idea was supposed to bring promise and assurance—not emphasize the bleak existence they were enduring.

The Refugee Year design was a depressing thing, a fact which in my book made it outstandingly a failure in what it was supposed to convey. Rather than exemplify a bright future and hope for the Refugees, it but emphasized the hardships of their present condition. You don't render a rosy future with a dark gray color, and being far down the hall from the outer world represented by a doorway.

1. In the last five years a commemorative pictured a mermaid. Which?
2. Which commemorative design of the past five years had the most people in its design?

Pictured here is a plate number block of the 16c Lincoln of the 1933 Presidential series. No need to tell you that this is a desirable item to collectors—but definitely NOT in the condition in which you see it. This kind of thing comes under the heading of "philatelic sabotage."



Hugh Morrison of New London, Conn. sent it for inspection along with the following comment:

"On March 20 I mailed a package to my son in Washington, D. C. using this block for postage. I asked this clerk, a long-time employee in the Waterford post office if she would please hand cancel it in the center lightly as I wanted it for my son's Lincoln collection.

".....So imagine how I felt when my son returned it as you see it. Fifteen cancellations, and in no place is the name Waterford, Conn. or the date discernible. Of course I then called the postmaster about it and he advised me that the dear lady had cancelled it a wee bit heavily but insisted it was not intentional.

"Not intentional indeed! How unintentional can even a lady get with a rubber stamp? A paint brush could hardly have done a more thorough job. She hates stamp collectors, she says."

Now I know that the Post Office Department frowns heavily on that kind of thing by postal employees. Frequently, the Postal Bulletin, the official means of communication of information from the top executives to local postal personnel, asks that collectors wishes, if not unreasonable, be considered.

It is asked that the postal clerks see that all stamps are cancelled in such a manner to prevent reuse. But these same directions state that care must be used with the mail of stamp fans, and that postmarking of the kind pictured above is against department wishes, and further pro-

notes bad public relations between the post office and the people.

No one should carry his grudges into his work whether he is employed by a supermarket, bowling alley, or whatever. You hurt yourself physically by harboring grudges and hate, and you do not do a good job for the organization which hires you. The boss has his rights, too!

There is a limit to the information which can be printed in this paper. As for instance, a reader wants us to print the domestic and foreign postal rates for regular, airmail, parcel post, registration and other types of mail.

Is he too lazy to phone or visit his post office for this? If I remember correctly a card or small sheet of paper is available at most mail mills which has such data. We think our editorial space of much more use than the listing of things which are common, and easily acquired, knowledge.

Rates of exchange between U.S. and foreign currencies are the subject of other requests. This should be gotten from your bank which business gets an almost daily report of values on the currency market. A couple of the New York City newspapers print such material once or twice a week in their financial sections. Many libraries around the nation subscribe to New York newspapers—so check that source.

If it is possible for our readers to order stamps or first day covers at face from a foreign philatelic agency, we always give such information in terms of United States currency. If the article does not include such data, then the government concerned does not have philatelic service, or what exists is so bad on past performance that we do not want to expose our readers to it. We'd be the first to get letters of alarm and complaint if the service was slow, the received stamps in bad shape, or the order ignored and the payment kept.

The less letters of that kind we have to handle the more time can be put into constructive tasks. No point in inviting trouble.

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The Post Office Department has an answer for a question about postal stationery which reached my desk. It advises that government postal cards were first issued May 1, 1873. They are now manufactured at the Government Printing Office in Washington, D. C. by means of high-powered, modern printing presses with a capacity of 250,000 per hour. Approximately 7000 tons of paper are consumed in printing the yearly supply of more than 2½ billion postal cards required by the public.

Stamped envelopes are, as provided by law, manufactured for the Department under private contract which is let to the lowest bidder for a term of four years. The present envelope factory is located in Dayton, Ohio.

For the production of the vast quantity needed yearly an extensive plant filled with modern specialized machinery is maintained with a force of approximately 1000 trained employees.

The largest quantity of stamped envelopes produced in a single day was 19,168,000 on July 29, 1932, when the plant was working at full speed to make the large order of 3-centers required for initial distribution to post offices throughout the country to conform to the new rate which became effective July 6, 1932.

Stamped envelopes were first issued in June 1853. Those bearing the corner card of the purchaser were authorized by law in 1865. They can still be ordered that way today. The average yearly production of stamped envelopes is in excess of 2 billion with a value of more than \$80 million.

These envelopes are made in a number of sizes and styles includ-

Brazil Commem For State's Constitution

March 27 was day of issue of a large yellow brown commemorative in horizontal format to mark the formal adoption of a constitution by the Brazilian state of Guanabara. The value is 750 Cruzeiros; the design shows a map of the state.



The occasion brought a solemn ceremony at the Tiradentes Palace (House of Congress) attended by Governor Carlos Lacerda, Foreign Minister Afonso Arinos representing President Janio Quadros, and Cardinal Dom Jaime Camara, plus other high officials.

A copy of the stamp and various details were airmailed to Linn's by Manoel F. da Motta, Largo Jo Machado 11, Apt. 301, Guanabara, Brazil.

ing the window type. In the past there have been some with red, white and blue borders for airmail.

It is generally well known that postal cards are sold at the face value of the imprinted stamps. Envelopes cost the value of the stamps they bear plus an extra sum for the envelope itself. If one wants to have a corner card imprinted on his stamped envelope by the government contractor this also is extra but generally cheaper than commercial printers could do it. In large quantities, the corner card is added during the manufacturing process which calls for the cutting of the blank forms from paper, the embossing of the stamp, the imprinting of the corner card, and the folding and glueing of the blank to envelope shape.

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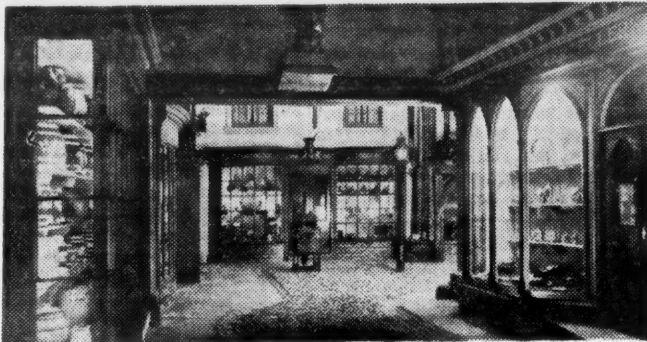
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English Museum Reproduces 1840 Post Office And Stamps

L. G. Clarke

In the United States there are two historic post offices which have been restored, those at Williamsburg, Va. and Lincoln's New Salem, Ill. Both of these now handle mail. Similar offices exist in Canada and Denmark, and now another has been opened at York, in England.

York dates from Roman times and its ancient buildings are still surrounded by the city walls. Its Minster is noted for its stained glass windows. In the grounds of the Castle stands a building erected in 1780 as a prison for females.

Disused for this, it has now been adapted as a folk museum, known as the Castle Museum. Here has been gathered a collection of personal and domestic objects of everyday life in Yorkshire over several centuries.

In what was the exercise yard of the old prison, ancient house and shop fronts have been salvaged from the towns and villages of Yorkshire and re-erected to make a thoroughfare typical of a century ago.

The road is "L" shaped and paved with cobbles, the first part being called "Aldermans Walks". Here amongst others are china, silversmiths, grocers, and wine shops—and even a pawnbrokers—all with their old street signs and stock in the windows.

Turning left one enters "Kirkgate" passing beneath the Inn sign, "The Black Swan" to more shops, the pewterer's, the barber's and the apothecary's.

There is also the yard with a stage coach, for York was an important halt on the main route from the north to the south of England when the mails went by coach.

In recent years further additions have been made in an extension called "Princess Mary Court". Last year three more shops were added: Miss Pole's Fancy Repository; Mr. Iddeson's, dealer in cricket requisites; and William Henry White's grocers.

In the grocer's shop one corner has been reproduced as a small sub-post office, a counter with a grill, a sorting bench and a kerosene lamp just as existed about a hundred years ago when the post office was indeed just a small shopkeeper's sideline.

Unlike all the other shops in the museum, this post office sells stamps, and the curator of the museum has been licensed to do so. A Victorian pillar box is there for posting letters and this is regularly cleared.

This new addition was declared open to the public by Sir John Wilson, Keeper of the Queen's Stamps, at a ceremony attended by the dignitaries of York, including the Lord Mayor and the Head Postmaster.

The original date for the opening ceremony was May 6, 1960, the 120th anniversary of the date of issue of the British Penny Black stamp. But as this coincided with the Royal Wedding, the date was brought forward to May 2.

Because of this anniversary, a facsimile of the 1d black stamp of 1840 was put on sale and its use permitted as a seal in addition to the normal postage stamps. To comply with postal regulations, it had to be placed on the back of letters or to the left, away from the stamps, on postcards.

The Museum Post Office cancelled the 1d Black facsimile with a red Maltese cross as originally used in York Post Office in 1840, and on collection by the postal authorities the postage stamps are cancelled with the normal York cancellation, of the present day.

The facsimile 1d stamps incorporate in the design above the words "One Penny", the words "Castle Museum York". They are printed in miniature sheets of six with "These facsimiles are not valid for postal purposes" printed across the bottom margin, to prevent any misunderstanding.

Whilst they are good reproductions, they cannot be mistaken for the genuine stamps but no doubt some will find their way into collections to provide a puzzle for collectors of tomorrow.

(Editor's note: Mr. Clarke has promised to supply interested collectors with the cards, complete with the 1d replica, at the rate of three international reply coupons per copy. This includes the card with replica 1d duly struck by red Maltese cross design with proper addressing to the purchaser. His address is 14, Pines Rd., Chelmsford, Essex (England).)



The six-score-years old atmosphere of the antique post office in the York, England, Castle Museum is complete even to the sale of replicas of the 1840 1d black stamp. Each such label carries the identifying legend "Castle Museum York" above the value, with a further caption across the bottom of each pane of six, "These Facsimiles Are Not Valid For Postal Purposes".

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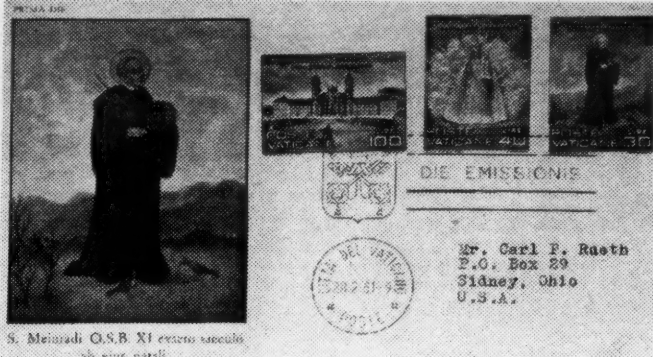
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Tristan Da Cunha Decimals Of April 15 To Duplicate All But One Of Current 14-Design Set

The Crown Agents, London, have announced that in view of the change to decimal currency, the administration of Tristan da Cunha is releasing on April 15 a new issue of postage stamps with the values suitably converted.

The new stamps, which have been recess printed by Waterlow & Sons Ltd., will be similar to the previous issue depicting different fish found in the waters around Tristan da Cunha, except that the Heron Fish design contained on the original 2d stamp has been omitted.

The other designs will appear on values of 1/2, 1, 1 1/2, 2, 2 1/2, 3, 4, 5, 7 1/2, 10, 25, 50c, and one Rand. Full details of the new issue are as follows:



1 1/2c Star Fish, black and orange—The Star Fish (*Allostichaster Inaequalis* Koehler) is a very small fish found in rockpools near the settlement of Edinburgh on Tristan da Cunha. It is not normally caught since it is not used for food or bait.

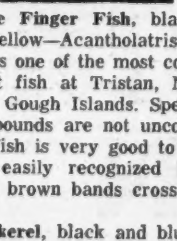
1c Concha Fish, black and bright purple—*Labridichthys Ornatus* is a small fish, found in large numbers in the rockpools around Tristan. The children often catch it by hand for amusement.

1 1/2c Klip Fish, black and light turquoise blue—*Bovichthys Diacanthus* is another of the rockpool fish. This species is most attractive when seen in the pools, as it is dark blue in parts, but the color fades quickly when it is taken out of the water.

2c Swordfish, black and sepia — *Notopogon Lilliei* is a rather rare ugly fish, frequently caught by Tern and other sea birds.

2 1/2c Tristan Crawfish, black and brown red—*Palinurus* is by far the most important form of marine life for the people of Tristan. The crawfish is caught by the Islanders fishing from boats, and it is either frozen or canned on Tristan and then exported, usually to America or France.

3c Soldier Fish, black and yellow olive—*Sebastichthys Capensis* is a very common fish and a nuisance to the fishermen since it has a very large mouth and body and removes the bait without taking the hook. It is used as bait for crawfishing, and occasionally is eaten by the Islanders.



4c Five Finger Fish, black and orange yellow—*Acantholatris Monodactylus* is one of the most commonly caught fish at Tristan, Nightingale and Gough Islands. Specimens up to 7 pounds are not uncommon, and the fish is very good to eat. It is most easily recognized by the five dark brown bands crossing the body.

5c Mackerel, black and blue—*Decapterus Longimanus* is one of the

game fish similar to, but much larger than, the English mackerel. It is found in shoals around the Island, and caught mainly as bait for crawfishing.

7 1/2c Stump Nose Fish, black and rose carmine — *Seriolaella Christopherseni* is a big, roundish fish, found only in deepish waters and caught for eating. It is very similar to the blue fish, which is more numerous.

10c Blue Fish, black and light brown—*Seriolaella Antarctica* is a large fish commonly found on the "Blue Fish" grounds in deep water around Tristan. It is much sought after by the Islanders for food and bait.

Specimens of up to 30-40lbs. are quite common. The Islanders make a very popular dish, Blue Fish Hash, from this species, and it is also filleted and smoked.

25c Snoek, black and ultramarine — *Thyrstites Atun* caught around Tristan are mostly in poor condition and worm-ridden. A theory exists that the snoek come into these waters when they are out of condition.

It is an unpleasant fish to meet unless one is prepared for it, as its teeth will cut nylon fishing line of almost any thickness. When brought into a boat on a special snoek line it will bite anything and everything, and is dangerous company until killed.

50c Shark, black and light emerald—*Glyptis Glaucus* is fortunately not often seen in Tristan waters, but they do cause fishermen concern at times.



1R. Atlantic Right Whale, black and violet—It is not possible to do justice to the Atlantic Right Whale (*Eubalaena Glacialis*) on something as small as a postage stamp. Years ago whaling ships often called at Tristan for fresh supplies and water and the Island benefited from this trade which, with the advent of steam, has died out.

It is said that a whaling skipper was persuaded by an Islander, Corp. Glass, to go to St. Helens and bring back three women for the bachelor members of the small community on Tristan. The whaling skipper obliged.

It is quite a common sight nowadays to see whales "blowing" near the Island, and cows frequently bring their young to the North West coast of Tristan. Whales are thought to come in close to endeavor to dislodge the barnacles from their bodies by rubbing them against the rocks on the coast.

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New FD Date For 1890 2c Carmine

An earlier first day of use than any previously known for the 2c carmine U.S. regular issue of 1890 (Scott No. 220) has been discovered by Sol Salkind of the Bronx, New York City. As he explained his good fortune:

"The uniqueness of this find is that it is a very common stamp from a very large city and represents a date almost two and one half months earlier than earliest previously reported date. I think it can be considered in the first day class. 'It was easy to find,' he added wryly. 'All I had to do was look through three quarters of a million covers and take fifteen years doing it.'"

When questioned as to future plans for the cover Mr. Salkind said that at this point he was quite content just to sit back and hold it for a while.

The cover has been seen by Eugene Costales, one of the editors of Scott's Catalog and he has verified it, stating in part "I have checked the item and it is correct in all details so we shall change the dates in our catalog. It will also be mentioned in 'Scott's Monthly Journal' in the near future."

The stamp is tied by a handstamped cancellation to the cover of a St. Louis, Mo. lumber dealer. The postmark clearly reads (in all capital letters) "St. Louis, Mo. / Jun / 3 / 7:30 PM / 1890 / Union Dep." The previous earliest known day of use of this stamp was August 15, 1890.

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Persian Gulf Area—Having discussed the geographical arrangement of the area in a recent column, it might be well to trace the general history before exploring the postal history and stamps. With a big assist from the Crown Agents, we continue.

British connections began early in the 17th century when the British East India Co. seeking to open up trade with Iran, established a factory (trading post) near Jask, Iran on the Gulf of Oman.

At that time the Portuguese enjoyed a commercial monopoly in the region, having established themselves there after their discovery of the sea route round the Cape of Good Hope in 1498.

There followed a three-way struggle for trade supremacy between the British, Portuguese and Dutch who were established at Bandar Abbas, Iran on the eastern side of the Strait of Hormuz. This is the strategic bottleneck separating the Gulf of Oman from the Persian Gulf.

Meantime, the French endeavored to gain a footing and in 1763 forced the British to leave Bandar Abbas and retire to Basra, in present-day Iraq, just north of Kuwait. Later, in 1778 Bushire, Iran replaced Basra as the main British trading post.

Despite their preliminary successes the French were unable to maintain themselves, and since the late 18th century British influence has predominated in the Persian Gulf.

Diplomatic and administrative contacts between Britain and the various States in the Gulf area were conducted through the East India Co. until 1853, when its administrative functions were transferred to the Crown. From then until 1873 they were the responsibility of the Bombay Government and afterwards of the (British) Government of India.

When India and Pakistan achieved independence in 1947, they were assumed directly by the United Kingdom Government Foreign Office.

This transfer from company to governmental control in the late 19th century coincided with a change in the nature of British interests in the area. Hitherto these had been purely commercial and primarily concerned with the Persian (Iranian) trade.

However, with the opening of the Suez Canal in 1869 a shorter line of communications was created be-

tween Britain and her eastern dependencies, notably India.

Therefore it became of prime interest to Britain to see that none of her European rivals secured a foothold from which to threaten this lifeline of Empire.

For this and other reasons Britain had previously taken a leading part in the coalition of Powers, which defeated the efforts of Napoleonic France and Czarist Russia to dominate the area.

The outbreak of World War I in 1914 and the entry of the Ottoman Empire on the side of the Central Powers, posed a severe threat to British policy.

Therefore the Arabs were encouraged and assisted to rebel against Turkish rule over large areas of the Middle East, and in 1916 successfully pinned down large Turkish forces in Arabia and cut Turkish communications throughout the entire area.

The support given by Britain to the Arab independence movement resulted in new interest in the western shores of the Persian Gulf at the cessation of hostilities in 1919.

New treaties of mutual support and economic development were signed and old ones strengthened. This later placed Britain in an enviable position, when the extent of the Gulf oil fields was determined. (To be continued).

Canada—At a recent auction held by Harmer, Rooke of New York a superb, lightly canceled copy of the Seaway error on cover sold for \$2800, with bidding starting at \$2100. This is the first time the stamp, which catalog at \$2500, was sold on cover.

It is our firm belief that before long this item will command a higher price than our own airmail invert. For one thing there are fewer copies known and secondly, it has been found mint, used and on cover, thus attracting interest from all collecting preferences.

Maldiv Island—Another "stamps on stamps" issue will appear in May, this one consisting of ten values, 2 lares to one Rupee. Thus the Island are celebrating the 55th anniversary of the first Maldivian postage stamps.

In 1906 a group of six Ceylon Edward VII stamps was overprinted "Maldives". The new set will show three of these stamps as part of an attractive design, with postal symbols as background. Bradbury, Wilkinson engraved the series. (Maldivian Philatelic Agency)

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Design in France

If you go through your catalog and look at the French releases of recent years, you will—time and again—come across the same names in French stamp design. They are almost household words and they have established a tradition of craftsmanship which carries easily across many a difficult hurdle.

The work is not particularly inspired, but it is fairly workmanlike: no flights of genius, but nothing absolutely horrible. Often of course their drawings are saved by the engravers; at times the reverse is the case, and the combination, whether it is inscribed "France", "Algeria" or "Somali Coast" is very much in the tradition set up just after the 1925 Paris exhibition.

It was then that the French finally decided that symbolic letter press printed stamps in small format were not the best means of propagating the beauties and traditions of "La Belle France".

Since then, we have seen some hundreds of issues of all kinds, none of which was exactly outstanding. Some of Gandon's early work, the 1946 airmails for instance, had something about them which was later applied to that artist's colonial designs with great success.

This in time was marvelously improved when three or more colors could be added. But generally speaking, it has been a pretty pedestrian exercise, and seldom more so than when they come to designing their normal definitives.

With a long life and very long usage, these stamps have to be prepared with rather a different point of view from that governing an ephemeral commemorative. That does not mean of course that they are very much better for it—quite the reverse, in fact, usually seems to be the case.

French philatelists are not particularly enamored of their definitives: the higher value landscape designs are very pretty, but hardly enjoy a sufficiently long circulation to merit the word "definitive" at all.

They are, as you well know, changed annually to give each tourist resort or area a fair crack of the whip. And though they go sometimes through a fair number of editions, there is little philatelic development in the way of retouches and new types to interest the more serious students.

Is it surprising then that "Le Monte des Philatelists", perhaps the most lively of French philatelic periodicals, has organized a stamp design contest?

The object was to find a suitable type for a new definitive in small size, to replace the Mariannes, Semmes, and what-have-you which are all too familiar on the postal paper of the succeeding Republics. There were 124 entries—a goodly number when one considers the paper's circulation of about 25,000 copies—and they are pretty widely distributed.

Also, they are, with very few exceptions, perfectly ghastly. Having the new theme of the Fifth Republic before them, most philatelists seem to have gone bull-headed for the nearest election poster, and produced the kind of tricolor-wagging visual clichés which are the bane of politicians all over the world.

On a quick check, I counted 31 Mariannes of various grades of incompetence (seven using the same photo of a well-known French actress); 14 Maps of France (some with bits of the Community attached or inserted); and eight De Gaulles. Also five armorial devices, five globes-and-torches, three or four V-signs, the same number of Crosses of Lorraine, an Arc de Triomphe, and miscellaneous others (being as often as not a combination of several of the foregoing elements), not forgetting Gallic Cocks and Caps of Liberty.

This competition however did bring forth one or two very competent entries which may or may not be picked up by the authorities. For instance, a very fine arrangement of the Republic Arms (fascies and oakleaf wreath), and a determined-looking Marianne holding

aloft a laurel-wreathed standard are very much above the norm.

Then there are two or three exercises on the "Burgeoning Oaktree" symbol which are also well-drawn, clean and competently executed. But these five apart, the entire contest was, to repeat, a ghastly demonstration of the old truism that philatelists cannot design stamps.

Qualified artists will not enter these contests (assuming always they know about them), and the hard-core of staff people known to the postal authorities and the printers have to carry the burden of the work.

In the end, Jean Cocteau drew a Marianne which is likely to cause a good deal of discussion; it was, as he explained, the "most traditional of a number of submissions".

Even the French postal minister did not have the courage of his convictions, which veer very much towards modern art.

But at least Cocteau's version is undoubtedly original—and already it has been nick-named "Brigitte".

Personally, I fail to see the resemblance to the fair Mlle. Bardot, but no doubt others may be more competent in this respect. Her own views, by the way, are not on record, though I am positive that she is not averse to the publicity.



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Civil War Covers Of FDR At WESTPEX

The Civil War collection of Frank-
lin D. Roosevelt will be a feature
display at WESTPEX '61, to be
held on April 28-30 in the new Jack
Tar Hotel, Van Ness and Geary Sts.,
San Francisco.

This is one FDR collection which
has remained intact. Holding items
of both North and South, it empha-
sizes the WESTPEX theme—"Com-
memorating the Centennial of the
Civil War".

John S. Bain of Santa Rosa, Calif.
is lending this treasure to the exhibi-
tion. It will form part of the Court of
Honor which will also hold the prize
winning collection of patriotic cov-
ers of Mel Nathan, Jr.

With 300 12-page frames this will
be the largest nation-wide philatelic
exhibition ever held in San Francis-
co, while 20 bourse tables will pre-
sent dealers from across the coun-
try.

Educational programs will be fea-
tured as well as auctions, and on
Sunday morning at 10:30 a brunch
will be held by the Western Cover
Society. It will be followed by a
special Western cover auction. Gen-
eral Chairman of WESTPEX '61 is
Joseph M. Clary. He can be reached
for further details through WEST-
PEX, 3822 Harrison St., Oakland 11,
Calif.

Big Round-Up May 13 At Red Deer, Canada

The annual get-together of stamp
collectors in Red Deer, Canada, has
been set for May 13, again in the
Knox Presbyterian Church with the
Ladies Auxiliary providing a turkey
dinner.

This is the ninth year that the
stamp clubs of Calgary and Edmon-
ton are cosponsoring this gathering,
and "lone wolf" collectors are par-
ticularly invited to attend. It is not
necessary to belong to any stamp
club or society to participate.

Activities will commence at noon
and the banquet will be at 6 o'clock.
The new display racks will be used,
and all collectors are invited to take
exhibits.

Anyone requiring frames may con-
tact R. S. Traquair, Box 855, Cal-
gary, Alta. There will be the usual
auction sale, and an interesting af-
ter dinner speaker will highlight
the event.

Dr. Hummel's U.S. Covers At Allentown

The April 18 meeting of the Allen-
town Philatelic Society will feature
an exhibition of rare and unusual
United States 19th and 20th century
covers by Dr. Conrad Hummel of
Easton. He will discuss his collection
in detail.

There are no charges and every-
one is invited. Meetings are held on
the third floor of the YMCA build-
ing, Allentown, Pa.

The meeting of May 16 will fea-
ture a combined mail and floor auc-
tion. A large variety of material will
be offered without reserve. Informa-
tion on any of above is available
from Herman Kleinert, 213 Virginia
Ave., Fullerton, Pa.

EUROPA Design Committee Meets

Representatives of nine European
Post Offices, including the United
Kingdom, met recently at Post Of-
fice Headquarters, London, to select
themes for the design of this year's
issue of stamps marking the Euro-
pean Conference of Postal and Tele-
communications Administrations.

The meeting was opened by Miss
Mervyn Pike, Assistant Postmaster
General. It considered designs sub-
mitted by several of Europe's lead-
ing stamp artists.

The United Kingdom will issue on
September 18 a 2d, 4d and 10d trio
to mark the Conference, which will
be held at Torquay from Septem-
ber 9-23. The adhesives will be dou-
ble normal size and—unlike those is-
sued by other countries—will include
in their design a portrait of the
Queen.

It will be remembered that last
year 17 countries issued stamps in a
common design to mark the first an-
niversary of the Conference. Great
Britain issued 6d and 1/6 values in
a modified version of the common
design. They were in two-color pho-
togravure.

It is not yet known which coun-
tries will issue stamps incorporating
the themes for the design selected
at the meeting. The design itself will
be announced probably in about two
weeks.

The nine countries represented at
the meeting were Belgium, Finland,
France, Germany, Italy, Luxem-
bourg, the Netherlands, Switzerland
and the United Kingdom. Greece,
Iceland and Turkey took part in the
competition for the theme, but were
not represented.

White Ace Album For Togo Just Published

The makers of White Ace Histori-
cal Stamp Albums have turned their
spotlight on one of the turbulent Afri-
can continent's newest independent
nations—the Republic of Togo. Just
published by The Washington Press,
Newark 2, N. J., is a colorful album
for the postage stamps of this for-
mer French colony which gained full
independence only last year.

Togo began issuing its own stamps
as a republic in 1958, and the White
Ace Togo Album appropriately be-
gins with the first of free Togo's
postal issues. This was an attractive
single commemorative for the tenth
anniversary of the Universal Decla-
ration of Human Rights.

Mounting spaces are provided for
all subsequent issues, including the
1959 Red Cross souvenir sheets. His-
torical annotations are given for all
and every mounting space is illus-
trated—two features which make for
better collecting.

Each page is tastefully lithograph-
ed in Togo's national colors of
green, brown, and yellow. Comple-
menting this is an attractive border
in a soft brown set off by native
motifs.

The complete set of White Ace
pages for Togo costs only 95c. Match-
ing blank pages are ten for 75c. All
pages are 8 1/2" x 11" sheets of bris-
tol white rag content card stock with
rounded corners and punched for
three-ring binders.

A deluxe binder in black leather-
ette with the title gold-stamped on
the front cover and backbone is of-
fered for \$3.50. The pages are avail-
able at stamp dealers throughout the
country or from the publishers.

Vincent Lopez Aids Ghana Club Meeting

The Society of Ghana Philatelists
New York City, will hold an elec-
tion and installation of officers at
its next meeting, April 18 at 100
W. 42nd St. Room 711, starting at
7:45 p.m. Vincent Lopez, popular
musician and equally prominent
philatelist, will formally install the
new officers.

Alfred Ratta will present his talk
"Merchandising of Ghana Stamps"
which was postponed from the last
meeting. There will be door prizes,
and a variety of philatelic litera-
ture will be available "for free".

The current issue of the informa-
tive and newsy monthly "Journal"
of the Society of Ghana Philatelists
is available to interested adult col-
lectors who send 8c postage to sec-
retary Lily Lynch, 105 Ashland
Pl., Brooklyn, N. Y. Out-of-town
memberships are still accepted.

Burgher To Speak At Staten Island Meeting

Elliott Burgher of The Collectors
Club of New York City will speak
on Civil War postal history at the
April 17 meeting of the Staten Island
Philatelic Society.

The public is invited to the event
which will be held at 7:30 p.m. at
the Staten Island Museum, Stuyve-
sant Pl. at Wall St., Staten Island,
New York.

Twenty frames of eight pages each
of Mr. Burgher's collection are on
public display at the Museum from
April 9 to May 4.

Salt Lake City Group Names Officers For '61

New officers recently elected to
serve the Utah Philatelic Society for
the year 1961-62 are president,
James R. Russell; vice president,
A. Luke Payne and Herman L.
Warnas; treasurer, Fred H. Som-
mer; recording secretary, L. S.
Christensen; and corresponding sec-
retary, Charles A. Abbott.

The UPS meets on first and third
Wednesdays at the Salt Lake City,
Utah YMCA at 8 p.m., and visitors
are welcomed.

INDIAN PENNIES

1857	1.75	1874	2.25	1892	.40
1858	1.75	1875	3.00	1893	.25
1859	1.25	1876	4.00	1894	.60
1860	1.50	1877	4.75	1895	.25
1861	4.25	1878	4.25	1896	.25
1862	1.00	1879	1.00	1897	.25
1863	.90	1880	.80	1898	.25
1864	.90	1881	.80	1899	.25
1865	2.00	1882	.70	1900	.12
1866	1.30	1883	.70	1901	.12
1867	1.00	1884	.80	1902	.12
1868	6.00	1885	1.75	1903	.12
1869	5.50	1886	1.00	1904	.12
1870	5.50	1887	.25	1905	.12
1871	5.50	1888	.25	1906	.12
1872	5.50	1889	.25	1907	.12
1873	14.00	1890	.25	1908	.12
1874	14.00	1891	.25	1909	.20

1857 & 1858 are Flying Eagles. Pennies to
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selling prices. Prompt payment always.

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1900-S	12.00	1914-D	25.00	1924-D	4.25
1910-S	1.85	1915	.12	1926-S	1.30
1911-S	4.25	1916-D	.12	1931-S	15.00
1912-D	.50	1917-S	.12	1931-D	.12
1913-S	2.20	1918-S	.12	1931-D	1.00
1914-S	1.65	1919-S	.12	1932-D	.17
1915-S	1.65	1920-S	.12	1932-D	.17
1916-S	3.00	1921-S	.40	1933-D	.17
1917-S	2.50	1922-S	.30	1933-D	.17
1918-S	2.50	1923-S	.30	1934-D	.17

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1883	.40	1893	1.10	1903	.20
1884	2.75	1894	2.25	1904	.20
1885	4.00	1895	2.50	1905	.20
1886	1.75	1896	.80	1906	.20
1887	1.50	1897	.50	1907	.20
1888	4.00	1898	.50	1908	.20
1889	1.50	1899	.50	1909	.20
1890	2.00	1900	.20	1910	.20
1891	1.10	1901	.20	1911	.20
1892	1.10	1902	.20	1912	.20

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Liberty Head Nickels at half my
selling price.

JAPAN

223-6	2.50	458	2.25	589-90	.00
224-3	1.50	459	.85	590-3	.45
225-3	1.75	460-3	.85	591-3	.35
226-3	1.80	461-3	.75	592-3	.35
227-3	1.65	462	.25	600-1	.35
228-3	3.35	463	.18	601-3	.30
229-3	5.75	470-3	.85	602-3	.35
230-3	2.00	471-3	.15	603-3	.40
231-3	1.75	472-3	1.50	604-3	.30
232-3	1.25	501-4	.75	605-3	.3

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185-6	1.50	1.50	214-5	1.20	1.20
187-8	1.60	1.60	216-8	.85	.85
192-4	.90	.90	219-22	.85	1.10
195-6	1.20	1.20	223-6	.70	.75
197-9	.80	.80	227-8	.40	.45
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23-24	.32	37-40	1.40	C5-6	2.25
25-26	.41	41-47	.55	C7-12	4.25
C13	35.00	48-51	.10	C14-19	2.25
27-29	.52	52-55	.55	C27-30	1.25
C20-21	10.75	56-59	.30	C31-34	1.50
30-33	.40	60-65	.75	C35-38	1.10
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1-17	27.50	68-70	.55	88-90	.40
18-37	2.65 <td>71-73 &</td> <td>20</td> <td>82-87</td> <td>1.40</td>	71-73 &	20	82-87	1.40
38-52	2.20	B8-10	20	B1-4	6.10
53-58	12.25	74-75	.75	B5-7	.70
59-61	.50	76-78	.75	C1-9	3.25
62-64	.40	76A-77A	1.15	C10-14	3.25
65-67	.49	79-81	.20	J1-5	.27

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C10-14 Souv. Shit. \$3.75
C1-9 Souv. Shits. without inscription \$50.00

VIET-NAM

1-13	15.50	63-67	.12	132-35	.25
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24-26	55.00	92-95	.27	B1	1.60
27-29	.70	96-99	.27	B2	.20
30-35	10.50	100-107	.55	B3	.10
36-38 <td>.65 <td>108-11</td> <td>.30</td> <td>C1-4</td> <td>.85</td> </td>	.65 <td>108-11</td> <td>.30</td> <td>C1-4</td> <td>.85</td>	108-11	.30	C1-4	.85
38-50	4.25 <td>112-15</td> <td>.30</td> <td>C5-9</td> <td>2.50</td>	112-15	.30	C5-9	2.50
51-53	.40 <td>116-19</td> <td>.50</td> <td>C10</td> <td>.15</td>	116-19	.50	C10	.15
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55-58	.40 <td>124-27</td> <td>.85</td> <td>J1-14</td> <td>6.10</td>	124-27	.85	J1-14	6.10
59-62	2.00 <td>128-31</td> <td>.30</td> <td></td> <td></td>	128-31	.30		

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C7	.50 <td>C28</td> <td>.75 <td>C36</td> <td>4.25</td> </td>	C28	.75 <td>C36</td> <td>4.25</td>	C36	4.25
C8-13	4.80 <td>C29-32</td> <td>13.70 <td>C37-40</td> <td>5.50</td> </td>	C29-32	13.70 <td>C37-40</td> <td>5.50</td>	C37-40	5.50
C18-21	2.05 <td>C33</td> <td>1.25 <td>C31-3</td> <td>1.40</td> </td>	C33	1.25 <td>C31-3</td> <td>1.40</td>	C31-3	1.40

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GHANA

1-4	.28	39-41	.50	71-74	.75
5-13 <td>3.45 <td>41A</td> <td>3.75</td> <td>75-77</td> <td>.40</td> </td>	3.45 <td>41A</td> <td>3.75</td> <td>75-77</td> <td>.40</td>	41A	3.75	75-77	.40
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17-20 <td>.95 <td>46-47</td> <td>.20</td> <td>81A</td> <td>2.75</td> </td>	.95 <td>46-47</td> <td>.20</td> <td>81A</td> <td>2.75</td>	46-47	.20	81A	2.75
21-24 <td>.60 <td>48-50</td> <td>.40</td> <td>82-85</td> <td>.95</td> </td>	.60 <td>48-50</td> <td>.40</td> <td>82-85</td> <td>.95</td>	48-50	.40	82-85	.95
25-27 <td>.50 <td>C1-2</td> <td>4.20</td> <td>86-88</td> <td>.40</td> </td>	.50 <td>C1-2</td> <td>4.20</td> <td>86-88</td> <td>.40</td>	C1-2	4.20	86-88	.40
28-31 <td>.28 <td>61-65</td> <td>1.85</td> <td>89-91</td> <td>.40</td> </td>	.28 <td>61-65</td> <td>1.85</td> <td>89-91</td> <td>.40</td>	61-65	1.85	89-91	.40
32-35	1.00	66	.08	91-5	.60
36-38	.60	67-70	1.10	96-100	.35

MALI FEDERATION

1	.18	C1	.25	C2-4	4.50
2-8	1.25 <td>C1</td> <td>.55</td> <td></td> <td></td>	C1	.55		

MALI REPUBLIC

Fish Opts (3)	.75	U. Nations (1)	.55
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331	.20	334-35	.35	339	.20
332 <th>.30</th> <th>336-37</th> <th>.35</th> <th>Dues (3)</th> <th>.55</th>	.30	336-37	.35	Dues (3)	.55
333 <th>.15</th> <th>338</th> <th>.17</th> <td></td> <td></td>	.15	338	.17		

CENTRAL AFRICA REPUBLIC

1-2	.26	4-7	.65	C1-2	4.40
3 <th>.30</th> <th>8</th> <th>.18</th> <th>C4</th> <th>1.35</th>	.30	8	.18	C4	1.35

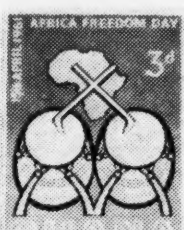
United Nations (3) .70, Man (C) .20

SUBWAY STAMP SHOP

87 NASSAU STREET

News From New African Nations

Ghana's one Pound stamp will be issued April 29, and at the same time the revised stamps in the 1/2 and 3d values of the 1959 definitive series will be released. First day covers of these two low values—apart from FDC's of the Pound stamp—will be made available on the same cacheted envelopes as were used for the first definitives of 1959.



That nation's Africa Freedom Day trio of April 15 has these features: 3d, two "Talking Drums" in the foreground, map of Africa in background; 6d, Map of Africa with 25 stars indicating the Independent States of Africa.

In the upper right-hand corner is seen an African Eagle of the type first shown on Ghana's four Independence stamps of 1957, and the 1/2 value of the Third Anniversary of Independence issue of 1960.

The 2/- features the map of Africa and the flags of the original eight independent states of 1958, the year when Africa Freedom Day was instituted. Size: 40.5 x 29.75mm, on watermarked paper, photograph printed by Harrison & Sons Ltd., London.

Togo's First Anniversary of Independence issue April 27 is of five values: 50c yellow, red, black; 1 franc green, brown, black; 10fr. blue, purple, black; 25fr. pink, green, black; 30fr. violet, red, black.



The common design features "Pa-pa" Augustino de Souza, the father of the Togolese independence movement.

This beloved old leader died at

CHAD REPUBLIC

64-65	.26	66	.30	C1	1.35
UNITED NATIONS 3 Vals. .70					

DAHOMY REPUBLIC

137	.18	139	.15	C14-15	3.25
138	.10	140	.45		

FRENCH POLYNESIA

182-90	.95	193-94	.35	C28	.45
191	.25	195 &		C24-27	5.45
192	.10			J28-30	.35

FRENCH ANTARCTIC TERRIT

1	2.25	8-10	.35	12-15	.45
2-7 & <th>1.35</th> <th>11</th> <th>.10</th> <th>C3</th> <th>1.45</th>	1.35	11	.10	C3	1.45
C1-2	1.35			16-20	.85

GABON REPUBLIC

148-49	.26	UN (3)	.70	C2	.55
150	.30	C1	1.10	C3	1.35

IVORY COAST REPUBLIC

167-69	1.70	170	.18	180	.18
C14-16	5.10	171-79	1.25	181	.18

MALAGASY REPUBLIC

300	.18	312	.15	319	.18
301-02	.20	313	.20	320, B18	.30
303-05	.65	314	.15	C61-63	3.35
306-11	.30	315-18	.12	C64-66	2.05

MAURITANIA REPUBLIC

116-118	each	.18, 119-127	1.05
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NIGER REPUBLIC

81-94 &	96-98	.55	104-5 ea.	.18	
99-102	1.80	103	3.25	C1	2.95

MIDDLE CONGO REPUBLIC

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90	.30	UN (3)	.70		

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Animals (6)	.85	Birds, Airs (2)	3.25
Dues (5)	.28	Independence (1)	.18

UPPER VOLTA REPUBLIC

70	.18	71-88	2.40	89-91 ea.	.18
	.18	71-88	2.40	89-91 ea.	.18

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332	.28	333-46	1.45	J42-48	.35
	.28	333-46	1.45	J42-48	.35

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347	.15	369-75	.40	B12-14	.60
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HUNGARY Red Cross (6)	(6)	.60
HUNGARY Same, Imperf. (6)	(6)	3.25
JAPAN National Park, new (1)	(1)	.08
JAPAN Same, sheet of 20 (1)	(1)	1.05
JAPAN Flowers, Camellia (1)	(1)	.06
JAPAN Same, sheet of 20 (1)	(1)	1.05
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MAI President Konati and Kelta (2)	(2)	.27
MAI Same, Air (2)	(2)	.29
MAI Air, Admission to U.N. (1)	(1)	.60
MAI Same, Souvenir Sheet (1)	(1)	.90
MAI Postage Due (6)	(6)	.36
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*74	*330	.15	449	.10	C133	.10	
147	329	.20	450	.15	C134	.15	
165	*340	.10	*B13	.75	C135	.20	
166	341	.10	C1	.15	C139	.10	
*249	341	.10	C2	.20	C140	.30	
*251	.35	342	.05	C5	.50	C141	.50
*252	.10	343	.10	*C5	2.50	C142	.20
*253	.10	344	.05	C6	.50	*C142	.35
*254	.10	345	.15	C7	.50	C143	.40
*255	.10	346	.30	C8	.40	*C143	.60
258	.10	347	.75	C8A	.05	C144	.50
259	.10	348	.90	C9	.50	*C144	.75
*260	.10	353	.20	*C11	.20	C145	.10
*263	.15	354	1.25	*C11	.50	C146	.20
*264	.15	355	.10	C13	.60	C147	.30
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*282	.25	*356	.10	C24	.35	*CB23	
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*293	.25	367	.15	C29	.15	*RA1	.35
*294	.25	368	.25	C30	.25	*RA2	.35
*298	.10	369	.65	*C33	.10	*RA3	.35
*306	.20	417	.15	*C33	.15	*RA4	.35
*307	.25	418	.15	C34	.20	RA5	.40
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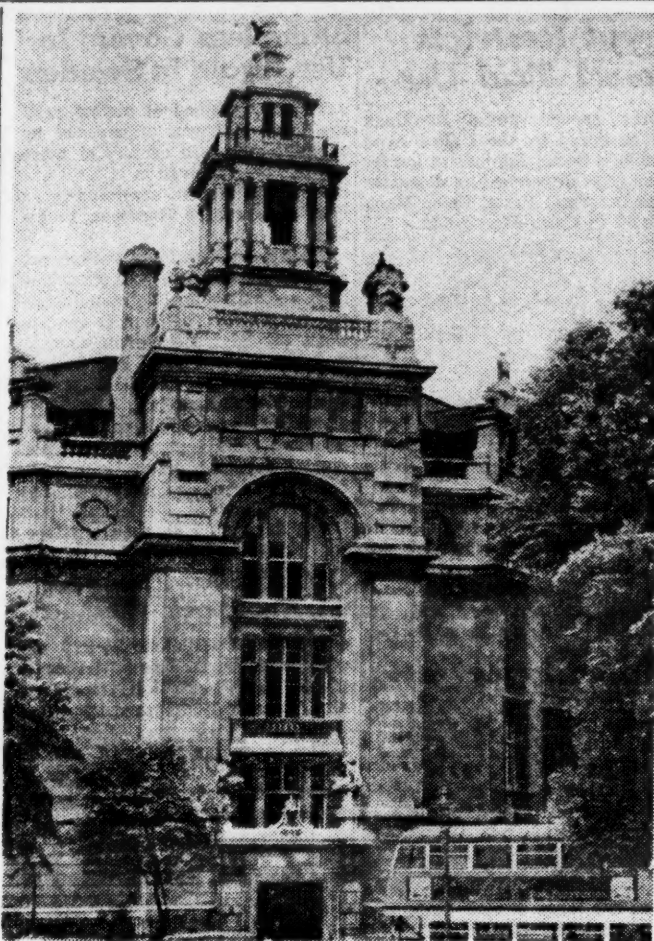
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The first postage stamp was issued by Great Britain in 1840 and the first British Colonial stamp was issued by Mauritius in 1847. The following year, Perkins Bacon received requisitions from the Agents-General for Crown Colonies for Mauritius and Trinidad stamps. Since then, the Crown Agents (as the Agents-General later became) have been inevitably associated with what are still usually known in the philatelic trade as "British Colonials" although some of the territories involved are now independent.

Since 1862, this association has been well known to collectors through the use of a special watermark in the paper; at first a crown over the letters CC and, nowadays, the multiple watermark of a crown over the letters CA either in script or block capitals.

But dealers and collectors alike may sometimes ponder on the connection between the Crown Agents and the stamps they distribute.

They may ask who are the Crown Agents and are their services restricted to stamps. This article is an attempt to provide a brief answer to the first question and to enlarge on the neative reply to the second.

The Crown Agents for Oversea Governments and Administrations, to give them their full title, are a large commercial and financial organization whose origins go back before the advent of the first 1d postage stamp.

The foundations of the organization were laid in the 18th century when Colonial territories appointed their own agents in the United Kingdom to perform a variety of commercial and other services. This system of virtually free-lance agents gave rise to complaints and in 1833, a single establishment was set up from which the present organization has developed.

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The Contracts Section is responsible for inviting tenders from security printers for new issues and for guiding the stamps through the preliminary stages of designing and proofing. This section also orders the CA watermarked paper and, in conjunction with the Crown Agents' own shipping department, arranges shipment of the stamps to the territory concerned.

The first orders placed by the Crown Agents' (then Agents-General) in 1848 have already been mentioned, and these were closely followed by issues for Cape of Good Hope, Western Australia, Ceylon, St. Helena, Bahamas, Natal, St. Lucia and Antigua. All these stamps were printed by Perkins Bacon but in 1862, most dies and plates were transferred to Thomas De La Rue & Co. Ltd.

The Crown Agents have also long used the services of the other three leading British security printers, Bradbury, Wilkinson & Co. Ltd., Harrison & Sons Ltd., and Waterlow & Sons Ltd. (whose security printing business has recently been purchased by Thomas De La Rue) as well as Courvoisier of Switzerland and Enschede of Holland.

Today, the Crown Agents are responsible for over 60 definitive stamp issues together with their attendant commemorative issues, postal stationery, etc., as well as the currency note issues of many territories.

Closely allied to the contracts side is the Control Branch under the superintendent who is based at headquarters and is in charge of Crown Agents' staff permanently resident at the premises of all British

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C61/6422
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Lebanon UN Airmails Due In Mid-April

Bruce Conde

Director-General Georges Chidiac, of the Lebanese postal service has announced that by mid-April Lebanon will issue a three-value airmail set in commemoration of the 15th anniversary of the United Nations.

100,000 complete sets and 60,000 souvenir sheets will be available at face at the rate of approximately one souvenir sheet to two perforated sets. Accordingly, no further speculation, such as marred recent Lebanese Refugee Year and Olympic sets and sheets, will be possible.

The attractive bicolored thematic and topical set is of low face value

(33c U.S.) and unless there is an additional price for the souvenir sheet the entire issue will cost well under \$1. (Such sheets usually carry a 50 piaster (16½c) raised price to cover the extra printing costs over the face value of the three stamps, so that the sheets may be L\$1.50 — close to 50c U.S.)

Values, colors and designs are 20p. maroon and light blue, UN emblem superimposed on a map of Lebanon; 30p. green and buff, UN emblem over the five columns of Baalbek — Lebanon's world-famous Roman antiquity; and 50p.

The 50p. dark blue and turquoise shows the UN emblem in the sky over the skyscraper skyline of New York City, featuring the UN building prominently in the left foreground.

With the ample advance notice given by the Directorate-General, Lebanese stamp dealers are now able to prepare FDC's adequately, and already a number of attractive cacheted covers have been made ready.

The liberal quantity of souvenir sheets, to curb speculation, was decided on by the Director-General after consultation with a number of leading Lebanese dealers. They had objected to the speculative and controlled nature of other recent souvenir sheet issues on behalf of themselves and of philately in general.

The new Director-General, himself a philatelist, is increasingly attentive to the representations of collectors and dealers to improve the local situation.

Civil War Cachet At Janesville Exhibition

The Janesville Stamp Club will hold its second annual exhibition and bourse May 6-7 at the YMCA, Janesville, Wis. The theme of the event will be the Civil War Centennial. Two cachets will be issued in keeping with the occasion. They may be ordered at 25c per set of two from Mrs. Frank Murphy, 522 S. Parker Dr., Janesville, Wis.

Mansfield Club Elects, Plans June Exhibition

The Mansfield Stamp & Coin Club has elected 1961 officers as follows: president, William C. Kimes; vice president, Joseph W. Young; secretary, Mrs. Eleanor Moore, 184 S.

Franklin Ave., Mansfield, Ohio; and treasurer, Mrs. Lula Himes.

The group meets the first and third Thursdays of each month at Kingwood Center Gatehouse. It will hold its eighth annual show and auction, June 25, at Kingwood Center.

BULGARIA

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Scott #	Value	Scott #	Value	Scott #	Value
12	.10	133	.04	317	.02
25	.10	182	.35	318	.03
26	.10	182	.02	319	.03
28	.05	183	.02	320	.02
30	.07	184	.02	321	.02
31	.04	185	.02	323	.03
32	.10	187	.03	324	.04
33	.06	188	.03	327	.04
34	.10	189	.08	330	.05
37	.10	191	.02	331	.05
38	.35	192	.02	334	.25
40	.04	193	.02	335	.25
41	.25	194	.02	365	.02
44	.04	195	.02	368	.02
45	.06	196	.04	369	.03
55	.15	197	.07	370	.04
57	.03	198	.03	372	.04
58	.04	199	.07	373	.06
59	.05	201	.06	C1	.15
60	.12	202	.20	C15	.05
61	.12	203	.35	C16	.07
62	.12	207	.02	C17	.18
63	.12	208	.02	C18	.18
64	1.00	209	.02	J12	1.00
65	.15	209A	.02	J19	.03
73	.35	210	.02	J20	.08
74	.35	211	.07	J21	.35
75	.40	212	.10	J22	.06
77	.07	227	.03	J27	.12
78	.15	228	.04	J28	.05
79	.15	229	.04	J30	.04
80	.15	232	.07	J32	.12
81	.15	233	.70	J33	.02
83	.12	234	.08	J35	.04
87	.15	235	.10	J36	.04
88	.15	236	.15	J37	.07
98	.75	237	.10	J38	.08
99	.18	238	.20	J39	.15
100	.70	251	.07	RA1	.25
112	.07	252	.20	RA2	.25
113	.40	279	.05	RA3	.25
122	.03	280	.70	RA4	.25
123	.02	287	.15	RA5	.25
124	.02	293	.02	RA6	.12
125	.02	296	.03	RA7	.07
126	.03	297	.03	RA8	.40
127	.08	299	.04	RA9	.40
130	.02	313	.05	RA10	.20
131	.03	316	.02	RA11	.08
132	.04				

Scott #	Value	Complete Used Sets	Scott #	Value
940-45	.25	1900	.18	
946-47	.05	1017-19	.08	
977-81	.15	1056-61	.15	

GERMAN DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC

Scott #	Value	Complete Used Sets	Scott #	Value
10NB3	.05	323-24	.05	417
120-21	.07	325-27	.18	418
186	.05	343-44	.07	423
187-204	.15	346	.02	424-25
208-09	.10	350-51	.04	456-65
210-11	.08	352-54	.10	466
212	.04	362-63	.04	488-91
216-23	.15	364	.02	494-98
224-25	.05	365-66	.03	499
241-43	.25	369	.02	500
286-87	.05	373-74	.04	501
294	.03	377-78	.04	502-03
297-300	.20	379-80	.08	558-59
305-06	.05	381-82	.08	B21
307-08	.07	393	.02	B26
309	.03	404-05	.04	B44-48
311-13	.06	406-07	.04	B54
314-16	.15	410-11	.10	C1-7
317-22	.35			

Pieck Miniature Sheet — .10

Below the Michel # requested from many Collectors

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Michel #	Value	Soviet Zone Mint	Value
1A-7A mixed	.10	116-19	.05
20-22	.120	120-23x	.25
23-25	1.00	124-25Y	.10
26-28	.25	126-37	.25
42-50	.40	162-65 A fallend	.15
43 b	.40	Same Vert.	
43 B a	.15	Gut. P.	.50
64-65	.10	B fallend	.18
72	.25	Same Vt. Gut.	
73-84 mixed	.30	P.	.50
wmk.	.30	162-65 A	.15
85-86	.05	steigend	.15
87-89A	.10	Same Vt. Gut.	
87-89B	.10	P.	.50
92A-99B	.25	B steigend	1.50
112-15	.10	Same Vt. Gut.	
Same Gutter		P.	2.00
Pairs	.40		

West Germany Mini Singles

Scott #	Value	Scott #	Value	Scott #	Value
351	.08	706	.03	O45	.25
353	.10	707	.03	O46	.20
354	.12	708	.04	O51	.15
355	.10	B12	.07	B34	.10
356	.20	B13	.15	B35	.15
399	.20	B15	.18	9N148	.07
702	.02	B16	.35	9N151	.06
703	.02	B23	.15	9N153	.06
704	.02	B24	.15	9N154	.12
706	.02	B25	.30	9N156	.18

Used Singles

Scott #	Value	Scott #	Value	Scott #	Value
432	.18	815	.03	9N85	.03
433	.04	816	.06	9N88	.06
434	.03	9N57	.03	9N113	.03
442	.02	9N58	.06	9N118	.03
719	.02	9N59	.10	9N148	.06
720	.06	9N60	.30	9N150	.02
721	.18	9N64	.02	9N156	.06
814	.02				

Used Sets

Scott #	Value	Scott #	Value	Scott #	Value
323-28	.10	B116-17	.25	B212-14	.18
432-35	.80	B118	.20	B216	.06
484-85	.10	B137	.30	B230	.03
585a	.15	B144	1.25	B241-42	.06
748-49	.15	B172	.40	9N42-60	.35
788	.03	B202	.06	9N84-88	2.25
800	.04	B203	.20	9N101-02	.10
805-06	.06	B204	.30	9N164	.06
B107-15	1.50	B205	.15		

Misc. Mini Sets

Scott #	Value	Scott #	Value	Scott #	Value
Austria #541 A. Bruckner	.20				
Bulgaria 529-33 Rila Monastery	.45				
Great Britain 313-16	.50				
Guinea U.N. Overpr. 11 val. epl.	2.00				
Paraguay 556-59, C262-64 Olympic Games	.75				
Romania 628-31, B340 perf. and imperf. (10)	.30				

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542	.12	632	.15	C60	.50

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Scott #	Value	Scott #	Value	Scott #	Value
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V.F. block of 4	.12				

Israel

Scott #	Value	Scott #	Value	Scott #	Value
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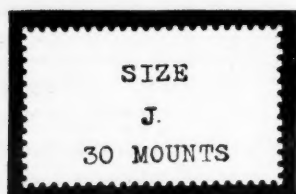
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SIERRA LEONE
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in 1896. The protectorate was, how-
ever, administered separately from
the colony and governed by district
commissioners who preserved its
tribal framework.

The first postage stamp of Sierra
Leone, a 6d denomination, was is-
sued September 21, 1859. This stamp
which represented the letter rate
between the colony and the United
Kingdom, was prepared by Thomas
De la Rue & Co. Ltd. from the
original Colonial Head Die of Queen
Victoria.

In April 1872, the 1d, 3d, and 1/-
values were added; these stamps
incorporated the new colonial head
"B" although the original 6d with
the first colonial head was still cur-
rent at the time.

Stamps with both these basic de-
signs continued to be re-issued for
the next two decades, although fur-
ther additional values were added.
Also from 1884 onwards, some color
changes were effected to conform to
the universal color scale introduced
as a result of negotiations between
the printers and the Crown Agents.

During 1896-7, a new issue of 13
values in the unified key plate de-
sign was released, and in the latter
year, a series of revenue stamps,
overprinted locally for postal pur-
poses, also came into circulation in
the territory.

In 1903 a further issue in the key
plate design with the head of the
new monarch, Edward VII, ap-
peared. These stamps remained cur-
rent until 1912.

After the accession to the throne
of George V, a complete new issue
appeared with most of the small
values in the old key plate design.

The 3d and the values 1/- to 4s
were, however, in a larger format
of more intricate design, incorporat-
ing for the first time the Badge of
the territory. This issue was repeat-
ed in 1921, and remained current
for a further eleven years.

All the stamps of Sierra Leone up
until 1932 had been printed in letter-
press by Thomas De la Rue & Co.
Ltd., but on March 1 of this year,
a new issue was introduced, con-
sisting of two basic pictorial designs,
one prepared by Waterlow & Sons
Ltd., and the other by Bradbury,
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The first covered the low value
stamps up to 1/-, and depicted a
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sings incorporated a medallion por-
trait of George V.

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tenary of the abolition of slavery and
the death of William Wilber-
force, events which had great sig-
nificance in the early history of the
territory.

Recess printed by Bradbury, Wil-
kinson and Co. Ltd., this is amongst
the finest pictorial issues ever pro-
duced by a British colonial terri-
tory.

Depicting mostly local sence, the
issue also contained three stamps
recalling Sierra Leone's early con-
nections with the Slave Trade. These
were the old slave resort of Bunce
Island (2/-), the old slave market
in Freetown (2d) and "Freedom"
(1d).

Sierra Leone participated in the
general colonial commemorative is-
sues for the Silver Jubilee of George
V in 1935 and the coronation of
George VI in 1937, and these were
followed in 1938 by a new definitive
set of 13 values.

These stamps again consisted of

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two basic pictorial designs, this
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The colors of the 1 1/2d and 2d val-
ues were transposed in February
1941, but apart from this, and the
addition of a 1/3 denomination in
1944, these stamps remained cur-
rent until 1956.

In the meantime, Sierra Leone
took part in the general com-
memorative issue for Victory in
1946, for the Royal Silver Wedding
(1948), the 75th anniversary of the
Universal Postal Union (1949) and
for the coronation of Her Majesty
Queen Elizabeth II (1953). On Janu-
ary 2, 1956 the current definitive
issue, consisting of 13 values, was
released.

Recess printed by Waterlow &
Sons Ltd., the stamps, which in-
cluded a medallion portrait of Her
Majesty, feature scenes, buildings,
etc., in the territory, apart from the
1/3 denomination, which shows an
aeroplane flying over a map of
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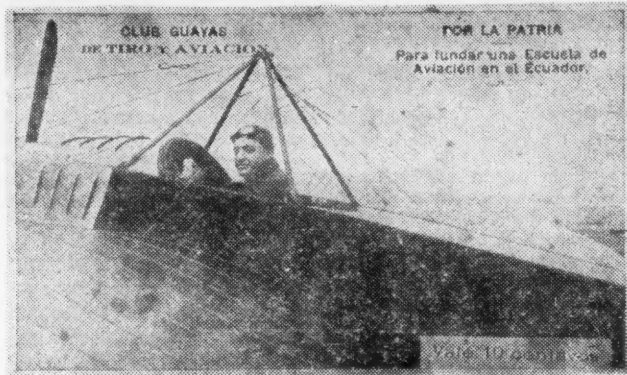
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Ecuadorian pilot Cosme Renella is shown on the above 1913 souvenir postcard seated in the Italian-built Chiribiri monoplane which was imported to form Ecuador's first proposed aviation school. This particular card was actually carried by Renella on his first flight, October 8, 1913, although not as airmail. The cards were flown on various hops and sold afterward simply as souvenirs of the occasions.

ECUADORIAN AVIATION (Continued from page 1)

postmark, transport the mails a long distance, or have any special importance for the development of airmail in Ecuador! Some cards were carried signed by the aviator and sold after the flight as a souvenir. They helped to pay for the gasoline, maintenance and repairs of the small aircraft.

In 1912 Cosme Renella was sent by the Guayas Club to Italy, to study aviation and bring back a machine that would serve for the first aviation school and that would transport the mails.

In May 1913 Cosme Renella arrived with his plane, a small aircraft made of wood and fabric by Chiribiri & Co. It had a 50 H. P. engine with one seat and enough space for the flyer only. It was a monoplane with skids and small wheels having a special landing gear that was made strong enough to withstand the impact of the landing.

It must be remembered that it was still quite some time before the outbreak of World War I and the aircraft of that time were true contraptions that flew.

It is a special honor for Ecuador that in 1913 an Ecuadorian flyer flew postcards, and sold them, after they were duly transported in a round trip as a souvenir of the flight! It must be remembered that philatelists at that time had not yet thought to postmark the cards and to add the necessary stamps to have a true memento. It was a private issue of only about 500 postcards, but to date very few remain, because they bear no postmark at all. Crossing the Guayas River to Duran at 300 meter height was a real feat, since the river is full kilometer in width.

During flight the plane came down across the river in Duran, because it ran out of gas, or had a stoppage due to the poor quantity of the gasoline. The aviator sold some of his cards, while the mechanics were cleaning his spark plugs and his motor was cooling off!

At the time no one ever dreamed of the value that flown postcards of pioneer flights now have. Most were lost or thrown into the waste basket. . . I hereby illustrate one of the cards carried by Cosme Renella in his first flight across the Guayas river from Guayaquil to Duran in his original and first flight, on October 8, 1913. They were intended to be mailed after the flight to create funds for an aviation school. Although the plane cracked up after this flight, and the flyer was badly injured and the plane in shambles, it was the first step for future flights that would open the Ecuadorian skies to the great service rendered to humanity by commercial aviation.

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Polar Covers From East Greenland Trip

According to information received from Jack R. Treutle of the Universal Ship Cancellation Society, an expedition has been sponsored by the Edinburgh Section of the Junior Mountaineering Club of Scotland to explore the South Staunings Alps in Scoresby Land, central east Greenland, during the summer of 1961.

This region of arctic alpine peaks which lies north of the Nordvest Fjord was first visited by Sir John Hunt's party during the 1960 Greenland Expedition. During a brief three-day visit this party climbed four of the peaks, but the area is still largely unknown territory and almost untouched by climbers.

In addition to exploration and mountaineering, the party, which includes two geologists, will undertake geological and meteorological studies.

The expedition has the support of the Royal Scottish Geographical Society, the London Section of the Junior Mountaineering Club of Scotland and the Scottish Mountaineering Club.

The party will fly to the Danish mining settlement at Mestersvig on the east coast of Greenland, thereafter proceeding on foot. During its stay in Greenland the expedition will use a special cachet on a limited number of envelopes which will be posted at Mestersvig.

Collectors who desire to obtain these covers, which will be franked with Greenland stamps, should forward their orders to the Philatelic Treasurer, Capt. K. Jahr, 2 Priory Ave., Lincluden, Dumfries, Scotland, to reach him not later than June 25.

Covers are \$1, or ten international reply coupons, each. Orders should specify "South Staunings Alps Expedition".

Lake Erie Masonic Club Books Coatoam

The Lake Erie Chapter of the Masonic Stamp Club of New York has received its charter and approval of its by-laws, from the parent organization, and will be known as Chapter No. 2. Meetings will be held regularly on the third Wednesday of each month at 8 p.m. at the Masonic Temple, 3615 Euclid Ave., Cleveland, Ohio.

Charter members number 35. Membership is open to all Master Masons who enjoy any form of philately as an avocation, and visitors who are members of the Craft are always welcome at the meetings.

The next meeting will be held April 19. Featured will be a talk by Alan E. Coatoam. His subject will be "Topical Collecting", one of the most popular and fascinating forms of philately at the present time.

Denver Area Groups Plan 1961 ROMPEX

Representatives of all Denver area stamp organizations joined with members of the Denver Stamp Club at its January 28 annual banquet to kick-off activities in preparation for the 28th Annual Trans-Mississippi Philatelic Society Convention and 12th Annual Rocky Mountain Philatelic Exhibition, ROMPEX, October.

The affair was held at the Olin Hotel, and featured 170 donated auction lots. Proceeds of the sale, over \$250, were turned over to the General Committee treasury to stage the big event. Arnold Siegel, General Committee Chairman, presided as toastmaster and Daniel A. Stone was the auctioneer.

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Tunisian Quartet Notes Africa Day

The Republic of Tunisia issued on April 15 a series of four stamps to commemorate Africa Day, according to the World-Wide Philatelic Agency, New York, N. Y. Africa Day marks the third anniversary of a meeting held in Accra, where African leaders discussed the problems they face in developing their countries and the possibilities for cooperation with each other.

The designs of the new quartet were selected from a contest of African artists. First prize went to Hatim El Mekki for his design of the 200 mills value which portrays the African continent in the form of a handclasp between Negro and White.

The second prize (for the 100m.) was also awarded to Mr. El Mekki. The stamp is composed of a primitive mask covering the southern portion of an outline of Africa; the northern part of the continent is inscribed, in Arabic, "Africa Day".

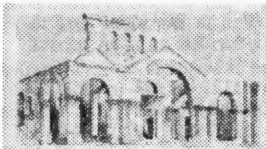
Second prize Execo went to Mlle. Zeineb Ben Youssef, a student at the Ecole des Beaux-Arts. This 60m. shows the profile of a Negro and White woman. Their figures, facing each other, form the body of the African continent.

The recipient of the fourth place award, Mlle. Jalila Mohsen, also a student at the Ecole des Beaux-Arts, contributed the 40m. design. This is a stylized African hunt superimposed on the map of Africa.

The new series, executed by copperplate engraving by Messrs. Combet, Durens brothers, and Pheulpin, were issued in limited quantity. A special cancellation indicating the date of issue and the occasion is being used during the week following April 15.

Syrian Single Shows Fifth Century Church

Syria released a 12 1/2 piasters commemorative for ordinary mail April 1, offset printed in blue after a design by Aishel. Produced at the Government Printing facility, 50 to the sheet, it shows the fifth century Christian church Kala'at Sama'an.



The structure is about 22 miles from Aleppo, and includes the monastery and church built between 480 and 490 A. D. around the column of St. Simon.

Designed in the form of a cross, it is considered the greatest Christian remains in the East. The column of the hermit is a courtyard connected with four churches, each of which has three halls in the form of branches of the cross. The front of the building has three gates topped by three round arches.

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Stanley H. Godden president of the CPS of Great Britain, will attend from England and take a prominent part in the various study and discussion groups to be held at North Hatley.

This joint meeting with the RPS of Canada will permit its American and Canadian members to learn something of the work of the society in Great Britain.

The convention is being held under the general chairmanship of A. H. Christensen, Box 250, North Hatley, P.Q., Canada from whom further particulars may be obtained.

April 19 Auction Listed By Chicago Midway Club

The Midway Stamp Club, 5718 Archer Ave., Chicago 38, Ill. will hold an auction sale April 19. Over 100 lots will be on view from 7 p.m. until the start of the sale at eight.

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45	.10	126	.40	204	.15	264	.04	323	.15	382	.08
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49	.03	130	.03	208	.10	268	.04	327	.05	386	.08
50	.03	131	.20	209	.15	269	.15	328	.08	387	.08
51	.04	133	.65	210	.25	270	.10	329	.10	388	.08
52	.06	135	.03	211	.25	271	.10	331	.10	389	.08
53	.06	137	.60	212	.35	272	.03	332	.20	390	.08
54	.03	138	1.50	213	.45	273	.04	333	.45	391	.08
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56	.03	140	.30	219	.40	275	.15	335	.06	393	.08
57	.03	141	.30	220	.25	276	.25	336	.07	394	.08
58	.03	142	.10	221	.05	277	.10	337	.10	395	.08
59	.03	143	.08	222	.02	278	.10	338	.20	396	.08
60	.05	144	.12	223	.50	279	.50	339	.40	397	.08
61	.05	145	.35	225	.50	280	.20	340	.10	398	.08
62	.10	146	.50	225	.10	281	.23	341	.10	399	.08
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MOUNTING

Several letters recently show that I did not make myself clear on how I was mounting my Town and Type collection. First I want to say that you mount yours the way it suits you—if I give you an idea that you can apply to your collection, fine. One thing I did not make clear is that in marking in the Town name and Type, I only pencil them in so they can be erased and changed if necessary. I do not type them in. I try to write small enough that when a stamp is finally mounted in the space it covers up the lettering. When a town has three types I letter the town name in only the first space I use for it and in the following spaces add only the type number like 121 or 53. If a Handstamp I use "HS", and for a Typeset, "TS". One other thing I do is hedgehop a little. I like to start towns that have four or five or more types at the beginning of a line of spaces, so before I get to the start of a line I may have to use a town or two that belongs after the five-type one, to fill out the line I was on. I know-I get mixed up a little now and then, but so far this has worked out pretty well. After a big city I leave two or three blanks especially

if it has not used any of the last rubber handstamp types, because I feel that sooner or later it will use one or two of them.

FROM THE MAIL BAG

Some weeks ago I mentioned about a missing "A" in the double line type used so long at Allentown, Pa. Have had a note from U.E. Kissinger of Temple, Pa. about the copies he has. The final word though comes from my friend Charles Houser of Allentown.

After I wrote him he examined several sheets of precancels, some very recently printed, and it is his observation that the stamps we saw with the missing "A" of Allentown, are simply just poorly printed stamps.

As mentioned, the item in question was a 3c Liberty and this is not the best in the world to bring out fine print such as the Allentown plate is. How about these double lines? If you have considered precancels, why not give these the once over?

A letter from Walter X. Miller of Chambersburg, Pa goes something like this: "I don't collect Locals, but the possibilities of fakes among these are enormous".

Well, the truth is that during the Black Harding days and though the twenties there were some fakes in locals. Most of them are all weeded out of the catalogs now.

The efforts of the precancel fraternity were so scrutinizing of all stamps in the local field from the late twenties until the gentleman from Indiana bounced out his mess, the amount of fakes was really negligible.

I suppose this lack of material to

work on lulled those who watch for such things so that the recent ones got by as long as they did. Over all the percentage is no more than in the general field, so no one need be too worried over this matter.

In the Bureau field there are a few counterfeits but they are all noted in the catalogs. I hope to analyze these at a later date.

BULLETIN BOARD

"El Boletin" of the New Mexico Club came in with a 1½c Prexy, ½c and 1c Liberties from Los Alamos, Type U-121n. The Bulletin of the Precancel Museum used the same values only from Stanley N. M. Type U-120n.

The "Precancel Yankee" arrived with a 1c and 2c Liberty from OQUOSSOC, MAINE, type U-130. The "Printed Dated News" from Rockford, Ill. showed up with a 1½c Prexy and 1½c Liberty Bureau properly dated.

In the non-precancel field we have the "Tucson News" mailed with ½c and 1½c Liberties from Douglas, Ariz. Type U-120. "The Philatelic News" is a mimeographed news letter mailed with low value Liberties from Durham, N. H. type U-120.

The Loveland Stamp and Historical Society mailed from Loveland, Colo. with 1½c Liberties, Type U-130. Also we have a mailing from the Ozark Merchandise Mart of Springfield, Mo.

The mailing came from Nixa, Mo. and the Type is U-129. This is a neat cancellation. Shall send any of the above addresses for return postage to interested parties.

DEALER DOINGS
Gem City Stamp Collector, 2639 Vermont St., Quincy, Ill. Some are designed for specific events, with several others of a "general area" motif. Some are in a single color, others in red, white and blue. An excellent variety is provided.

While the classified ad section is often regarded as being strictly for the small dealer, Linn's readers often find long listings of large wholesale lots in that department. A recent example is the Carl Edwin Lip-ton, 940 Lincoln Rd., Miami Beach, Fla., ad of U. S. plate blocks per one and per ten in the April 3 issue, with bargains galore. Plate block collectors please note.

This week Linn's carries the announcement by the Ritz Covers Service, Box 2360, New York 17, N. Y. that the firm is expanding its first day cover facilities to include all U. S. and UN issues in a variety of engraved cachets on high quality envelopes. These will be in both white and "Ritz-tint" hues. Maximum cards and album pages are also planned.



Apr. 15—Stampazine, 109 W. 43rd St., New York 36, U. S. Br. Coils., gen. fgn., world covers.
Apr. 17—Sheldon Siegel, 1684 W. 8th St., Brooklyn 23, N. Y. Mail sale U. S. 19th and early 20th centuries; also U. S. fakes, errors.
Apr. 18—Hobbs Stamp Co., 38 Park Row, New York 38, U. S. m and u singles, blocks, XIX and XX, and whole.
Apr. 20—Herman Herst, Jr., Shrub Oak N. Y. U. S. Br. Coils., Saar, Vatican, gen. fgn. Sale at Hotel Woodstock, New York City.
Apr. 20—J. & H. Stolow, Inc., 50 W. 46th St., New York 36, U. S. fgn. collections by countries.
Apr. 24—H. R. Harmer, Inc., 6 W. 48th St., New York 36, "Siegmund Adler" German States.
Apr. 24—H. R. Harmer, Inc., 6 W. 48th St., New York 36, "Siegmund Adler" German States and Heligoland with many rarities.
Apr. 25—Fred Rich, 55 W. 42nd St., New York 36, U. S. Br. Coils., Latin America, gen. Lots by countries.
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Mr. Sprecher will be remembered as the author of the three articles on Duck stamps in the November 14-21-28 editions of Linn's last year.

Don E. Johnson will discuss the eighth Midwest Postage Stamp and Coin Show, which he attended recently in Chicago. The meeting will start at 7:15 p.m. in room 216 of the new Minneapolis Public Library, 300 Nicollet Avenue, Minneapolis, Minn. Visitors are welcome.

**POD's George King
At Waterbury Dinner**

George King, supervisor of first day sales at the Philatelic Division of the Post Office Department in Washington, D.C. will be the guest speaker at the 40th anniversary dinner of the Waterbury Stamp Club. The Club was organized on January 17, 1921.

This occasion is being celebrated with a banquet at the Roger Smith Hotel, Waterbury, Conn. April 22. It will be attended by the past presidents, honorary members and many guests.

Waterbury is known throughout the country because of the fancy cancellations created by postmaster John W. Hill between 1865 and 1886. Since that time approximately 200 have been found and identified.

**Zinsmeisters Speak
At Chicago Meeting**

Illustrated talks on "Centenary Stamp Issues and Their Real Meaning" will be given at a joint meeting of the Chicago and Austin Philatelic Societies at 7:30 p.m., April 20 in the Sherman Hotel, Chicago.

Speakers will be Mr. and Mrs. J. Elmer Zinsmeister of Oak Park, Ill., co-editors of the "SPA Journal", monthly magazine of the Society of Philatelic Americans.

CPS president Richard W. Canman said the meeting has been designated "Ladies' Night" and that visitors are welcome.

For further information collectors may contact him at 399 W. Fullerton Ave., Chicago 14, Ill.

**Glen Ellyn Club Plans
Gift To Local Arboretum**

Officers elected at the recent business meeting of the Glen Ellyn Philatelic Club are W. Lee Fergus, president; Art Flickinger, vice president; Ernest C. Florence, treasurer; and Willard Y. Tucker, secretary.

The group meets on fourth Mondays at the Community House, Glen Ellyn, Ill., and visitors are always welcome.

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The set was printed by Harrison and Sons, Ltd., in multicolor photographic on C. A. (Block Capitals) watermarked paper. The background is green on the 8c, blue on the 50c.

The design features four Scouts of as many different races, with Queen Elizabeth's portrait and the Gold Wolf Scout Award—of which she is the only holder—at the left.

The stamps are 1.1 x 2 inches in size, horizontal format, in sheets of 50. They will remain on sale for three months or until stocks are exhausted, whichever is the earlier.

**Bronx County Stampers
Hold 29th Year Dinner**

A dinner commemorating the 29th anniversary of the Bronx County Stamp Club will be held April 24 at Alex and Henry's Restaurant, 862 Cortlandt Ave., Bronx, N. Y.

The guest speaker will be stamp dealer and author of "Nassau Street", Herman Herst, Jr., of Shrub Oak, N. Y.

The club meets regularly every Monday evening at Vasa Castle Hall, 120 E. 149th St., Bronx, N. Y. Visitors are always welcome. Further particulars from the secretary, I. Willinger, 314 E. 163rd St., New York 51, N. Y.

**Detroit Germany Club
To Hold April 24 Show**

The Detroit Chapter of the Germany Philatelic Society will hold its first anniversary celebration April 24. There will be a special philatelic guessing contest with a prize to the winner along with other activities.

The Chapter meets regularly in the Community Room, Bank of the Commonwealth, corner West Seven Mile Rd. and James Couzens Highway. All interested collectors are welcome at all meetings; membership in the GPS not necessary. Further information from the club secretary, Karl Abt, 12934 Memorial, Detroit 27, Mich.

**Lake County Exhibition,
Waukegan In Mid-May**

The Lake County Philatelic Society will hold its 24th annual exhibition on May 13-14 at the American Legion Hall, Waukegan, Ill.

This year the show is open to anyone who wishes to exhibit. Information may be had from the general chairman, Will Stone, 435 Flossmoor, Waukegan.

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The Deutsches Bundespost will have a temporary station at the Eagle Club to sell stamps and apply a special "Freedom Bell" cancellation for Philatelic Day only. It is planned to affix the German 40pf. George C. Marshall commemorative stamp to all mail orders.

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